

Literary Notes

The World's Work for February publishes entire, for the first time in America, Rudyard Kipling's "The Islanders," which has raised a veritable furor of discussion in England. Frank Norris, the author of "The Octopus," in an article entitled "The Frontier Gone at Last," shows how the Anglo Saxons have at last encircled the globe with conquest. Captain Mahan adds to an interesting series of papers which have appeared in various publications, one in The World's Work on "The Growth of Our National Feeling," George Iles, author of "Flame, Electricity and the Camera," writes of Marconi's triumph. An intimate view of Dr. Layman Abbott is given by Hamilton Wright Mabie. Dr. Abbott's associate on The Outlook, and the striking career and personality of Tom Johnson is described with particular reference to his work as Mayor of Cleveland. A plea for better wages for teachers is made by William McAndrew, and the consolidation of American railroads is described, with a colored map for illustration, by M. G. Cuniff. Some striking pictures of California big trees are accompanied by text written by Richard T. Fisher. Among the other illustrated articles are a description of the wonderful *La Prensa* the Buenos Ayres philanthropic newspaper; a story by Arthur Goodrich of how the Connecticut farmers are growing tobacco under tents a "Gauchos Day's Work," by William Bulfin, who wrote "Tales of the Pampas" Helen Lukens Jones' description of the greatest olive ranch in the world in California the exciting experiences of the party who carried the United States mail farthest North in Alaska, by Dr. Francis H. Gambell and a story of how the ice, last year, blocked traffic on the Great Lakes until May. Hugh H. Lusk tells of an interesting experiment in New Zealand for the prevention of strikes: "The March of Events and Among the World Workers," run over their usual wide gamut of topics of contemporary interest.

In a paper on "Bible Study—A New Departure," in the Homiletic Review for February, 1902, Dr. D. S. Gregory sets forth some startling facts concerning the prevalent ignorance of the Bible, especially as a whole, and calls for a new departure in Bible study that should aim to secure the

following results:

1. To put the facts and truths of the Bible again into the minds of all the people;
2. To give them a systematic knowledge of the Bible in all of its parts and as a whole;
3. To put it in their minds by the aid of correct pedagogical principles, so that it shall remain fixed there, and furnish a basis for a life study and for a constantly enlarging fund of Biblical knowledge.

After presenting some of the methods of systematic study at present before the public, he concludes that—

What is demanded at the present time seems to be organization and organic union of all those interested in these and other similar methods, for the purpose of pushing advanced study of the English Bible everywhere. A National or International League for Bible Study with this end in view is the desideratum of the hour.

The editorial on "The Attitude of Professor Huxley toward Darwinism" will be to many a revelation. Constant readers of The Review can not fail to be impressed with its scope and breadth of view, and its indispensableness to the wide awake preacher.

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Few persons have any idea of the enormous amount of mail received during the busier seasons of the year by so large a house as The Curtis Publishing Company, of Philadelphia, which publishes The Ladies' Home Journal and The Saturday Evening Post. With this company the month of December usually brings the heaviest daily mails, and on a Thursday last December all previous records were broken. On that day the actual number of letters received was 9080. These contained 18,177 subscriptions to the two periodicals mentioned, and \$15,498.44 in express and money orders and in cash. To open, receipt for, tabulate and file these letters, and acknowledge each one separately, requires the work of a small army of young women, who, needless to say, have no time to spare.

When wit is kind as well as playful, when information knows how to be silent, as well as how to speak, when good will is shown to those who are absent as well as to those who are present, we may know that we are in good society. — Ladies' Home Journal.

The Foot-Path to Peace

To be glad of life, because it gives you the chance to love and to work and to play and to look up at the stars; to be satisfied with your possessions, but not content with yourself until you have made the best of them; to despise nothing in the world except falsehood and meanness, and to fear nothing except cowardice; to be governed by pure admirations rather than by your disgusts; to covet nothing that is your neighbor's except his kindness of heart and gentleness of manners; to think seldom of your enemies, and often of your friends, and every day of Christ; and to spend as much time as you can, with body and with spirit, in God's out-of-doors—these are little guide-posts on the foot-path to peace.—Henry Van Dyke in The Outlook.

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